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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : David M. Stern, et al.  
U.S. Serial No.: 09/687,528  
Filed : October 13, 2000  
For : A METHOD FOR INHIBITING NEW TISSUE GROWTH IN  
BLOOD VESSELS IN A PATIENT SUBJECTED TO  
BLOOD VESSEL INJURY

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April 23, 2001

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

ATTN: Box Missing Parts

Sir:

**COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO  
NOVEMBER 21, 2000 NOTICE TO FILE MISSING  
PARTS OF APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)  
AND PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

This Communication is submitted in response to a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) issued in connection with the above-identified application on November 21, 2000, a copy of which is enclosed as **Exhibit A**. The surcharge for responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is SIXTY FIVE DOLLARS (\$65.00) for a small entity. Applicants attach hereto as **Exhibits B and C**, signed Verified Statements Claiming Small Entity Status and maintain that small entity status is applicable. A check including \$65.00 is enclosed herewith. A response to the November 21, 2000 Office Action was originally due on January 21, 2001. Applicants hereby request a three-month

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extension of time for responding to the November 21, 2000 Office Action. The required fee for a three-month extension of time for a small entity is FOUR HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$445.00) and a check in that amount is enclosed. Therefore, a response to the November 21, 2000 Office Action is now due April 21, 2001. Since April 21, 2001 falls on a Saturday, a response to the November 21, 2000 Notice to File Missing Parts of Application submitted on Monday, April 23, 2001 is considered timely.

Applicants submit as **Exhibit D** a Declaration and Power of Attorney pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) and in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.63. The Declaration refers to the application's above-identified serial number and filing date.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorneys invite the Examiner to telephone at the number provided below.

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No fee, other than the enclosed \$445.00 extension of time fee, the \$65.00 surcharge fee, and the \$18.00 total additional claim fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Communication. If any additional fees are required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

*Jane M. Love*

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited this date with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to:  
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